We are going to learn about the first historic flights.
Have you ever been on an airplane? If yes, when?
Nowadays, airplanes are quite common and can take you anywhere in the world. But a hundred years ago, most people thought flying was impossible. However, some people really wanted to fly.

Do you want to fly? Why/Why not?
In 1903, the Wright brothers built and flew the first airplane. Their best flight covered about two hundred meters in one minute and was the first **controlled** flight in history. Their success made human flight possible.

How is the first airplane different from current airplanes?
In 1919, British pilots Alcock and Brown made the first non-stop transatlantic flight. They spent around sixteen hours crossing the North Atlantic ocean at an average speed of less than two hundred kilometers per hour.

What did Alcock and Brown do? How was it important?

To be continued...
The Wright brothers began the *era* of aviation. They *pioneered* many of the basic techniques used in modern aeronautical engineering, while Alcock and Brown paved the way for commercial transatlantic aviation.

**Word Focus**

- We are living in an *era* of peace.
- Who began the *era* of aviation?
In 1903, the Wright brothers' flight became the first ________ flight in history. It began the ________ of aviation.

The Wright Brothers ________ many of the basic techniques used in modern aeronautical engineering.

In 1919, British pilots Alcock and Brown made the first non-stop transatlantic flight at an ________ speed of less than two hundred kilometers per hour.
Discuss with the teacher.

**Q1.** What do you think of the Wright brothers and Alcock and Brown?
I think...

**Q2.** Why were their flights important?
Their flights were important because...

**Q3.** Do you know any other important events in history?
Yes, I know about... / No, I don’t know.
In this lesson, we...

- learned about the first historic flights.
- learned new words.
  - controlled
  - impossible
  - transatlantic
  - era
  - pioneer
  - average